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Proposed programme of work for Executive Board sessions in 2009

The attached programme of work for the 2009 Executive Board has been prepared by the secretariat in consultation with the Bureau of the Executive Board, based on statutory requirements, requests arising form specific decisions or discussions by the Executive Board, or proposals by the secretariat.

It is recommended that the Executive Board adopt the programme of work for Executive Board sessions in 2009, as a flexible framework, subject to revisions as appropriate in the course of the year.

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Resource, financial and budgetary matters Private fundraising: 2009 work plan and proposed budget (D) UNICEF financial report and audited financial statements for the end of the biennium 2006-2007 and the report of the Board of Auditors (I) Pledging event	**Resource, financial and budgetary matters**	**Resource, financial and budgetary matters** Biennial support budget 2010-2011 (A) Report on the harmonization of cost recovery (D)*** Private fundraising: financial report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2008 (I) Interim financial reports and statements for the first year of the biennium 2008-2009
Other matters Update on key improvement initiatives (I)	**Other matters** Address by the President of the UNICEF Global Staff Association Reports of the field visits of the Executive Board (I)	**Other matters**

* The relevant reports of the Joint Inspection Unit (JIU) will also be considered under this agenda item.

** This item may not be included, depending on the decision of the Executive Board on possible extension of the UNICEF medium-term strategic plan 2006-2009.

*** Timing of this item depends on progress made within the High Level Committee on Management.

The Executive Board considers three types of agenda items:

For action (A): The Executive Board is expected to discuss and to take a decision under the agenda item. The secretariat prepares advance documentation and a draft decision for consideration by the Executive Board.

For discussion (D): The Executive Board is expected to discuss the report prepared by the secretariat. The secretariat does not prepare a draft decision, but the Executive Board may decide to take a decision under the agenda item.

For information (I): The secretariat prepares advance documentation in advance of the session for review by the Executive Board. The documentation will not be introduced or discussed, unless such action is specifically requested by one or more members of the Executive Board.